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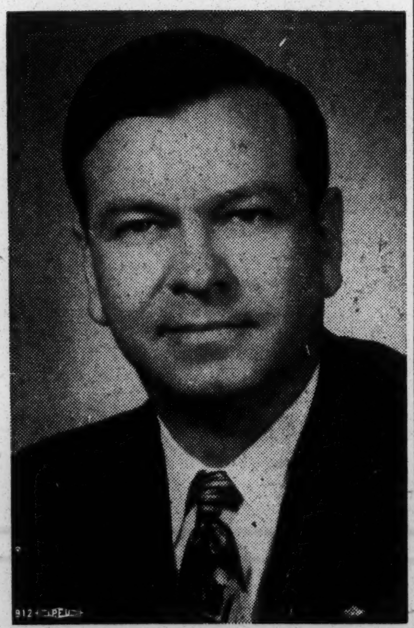

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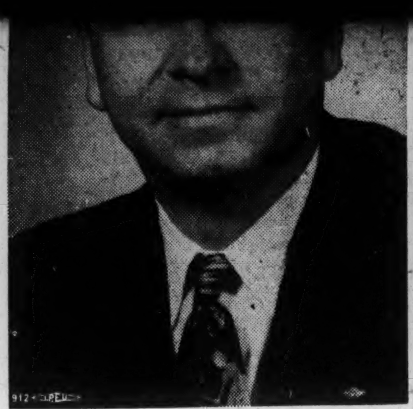

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According to Congressman Walter, the power of the states to propose amendments has been rendered uncertain by judicial decisions in other areas and changes in legal aspects since the Constitution was adopted. He and his colleague are offering their amendment to overcome this difficulty by providing a clear procedure for the proposal of amendments by the individual states.

The drive for such an amendment was begun by The Committee for the Preservation of State and Local Government, a non-partisan, non-profit, citizens' educational organization located in Chicago. The author of the amendment is John B. Ebinger of Klamath Falls, Ore., a member of the Oregon bar and a former member of its Board of Governors who founded and presently serves as executive director of the above-named organization.

Support Sought

During 1953, legislatures of three states adopted resolutions supporting the proposal. They were Alabama, Illinois and South Dakota. Congressmen Walter and Reed have written the governors and legislative leaders in all 48 states in hope of obtaining many more endorsements this year.

In explaining the purpose of the Amendment, Congressman Walter declared it seeks to re-establish the position of the states "in line with the intention of the founders so that the states may, by constitutional amendment, if necessary, protect the reservation of power under the Tenth Article of the Bill of Rights." He maintained that only through such action can "the union of sovereign states . . . survive and the local controls of government that are traditional to the American people . . . be made to endure."

Needed Provision

This is a worthy proposal and one which deserves the wholehearted endorsement and support of those who adhere to the constitutional principle of states' rights and believe in government on the local level. It would, if ratified, forever prevent the stifling of needed constitutional changes by political maneuvering in Congress or pressure exerted by the Executive Department.

Were this proposed provision a part of our Constitution, it undoubtedly already would have been utilized to ratify the so-called Bricker Amendment to end the grave danger of treaty law and the proposed amendment to limit the taxing power of the federal government. Through it, the states of the South could have proposed an amendment making certain that the federal courts could not interfere with the right of the states to operate their public schools as they see fit.

I am in favor of the Walter-Reed Amendment and hope it will be adopted by Congress and ratified by the states.

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CONSTRUCTION volume will increase for the 10th consecutive year, according to Robert Strickland of the Georgia Contractors Assn. Predictions of more homes, schools, churches, stores, and institutional construction is expected to boost construction by 5% to 10%. The Highway Contractors Assn. expects 1955 to be Georgia's "greatest year for highway construction." Industrial building is expected to be substantially greater than in 1954, said Wm. A. Fickling, Macon realtor and builder.

DISTRIBUTION by wholesalers and similar channels "will feel effects of the drought but prosperity in other fields should offset the loss in agricultural income." Wholesalers generally are expecting a heavy sales year and are stocking inventories accordingly.

FINANCING will be relatively easy but not soft. Citizens & Southern Bank executive Jack Glenn said "it appears that in 1955 there will be a build-up of inventories" following reductions during 1954 and that "anticipated better business should increase financing requirements." Easier real estate credit is predicted. Wm. A. Mathis of Athens foresees the need for considerable "character" credit to retrieve previous farm losses.

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RETAILING will be about 3% above 1954. J. H. Thompson of Hawkinsville expects some "early '55 effect from the drought," however. Stronger competition will be rough on marginal operators and will require "more vigorous merchandising" according to E. W. Matthews of Cordele. Increased industrial payrolls and generally improved economic conditions are the basis for statewide optimism among merchants.

TRANSPORTATION via land, sea, and air expects to recover declines experienced in 1954 and to surpass 1954 volume where declines were not experienced. John Sutlive, Savannah newspaper editor, says that port activities will be greater, due especially to increased trade with South America. Purchases of new equipment by railroads, motor carriers and airlines is vivid evidence of their optimism and rising quotations on their stock reflects the public's confidence in greater revenues during 1955. More construction and public works, plus other increased demands will keep tonnages at or above recent levels.

UTILITIES have construction budgets as high, or higher, than in 1954, according to Jack J. McDonough of the Georgia Power Co. South Georgia will greatly expand natural gas service while more normal expansions of utility services are scheduled throughout the state. More factories, more homes, higher standards of living will increase demands for telephones, gas, electric power, all utilities.

Peyton Anderson, Macon publisher, summarizes the forecast by saying "1955 is going to be an excellent year" and his opinion is generally shared by businessmen across the state, according to the State Chamber of Commerce.

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WGAC—Augusta
WRDW—Augusta
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WCGA—Calhoun
WGAA—Cedartown
WGBA—Columbus
WRBL—Columbus
WGFS—Covington
WEAS—Decatur
WDMG—Douglas
WGGA—Gainesville
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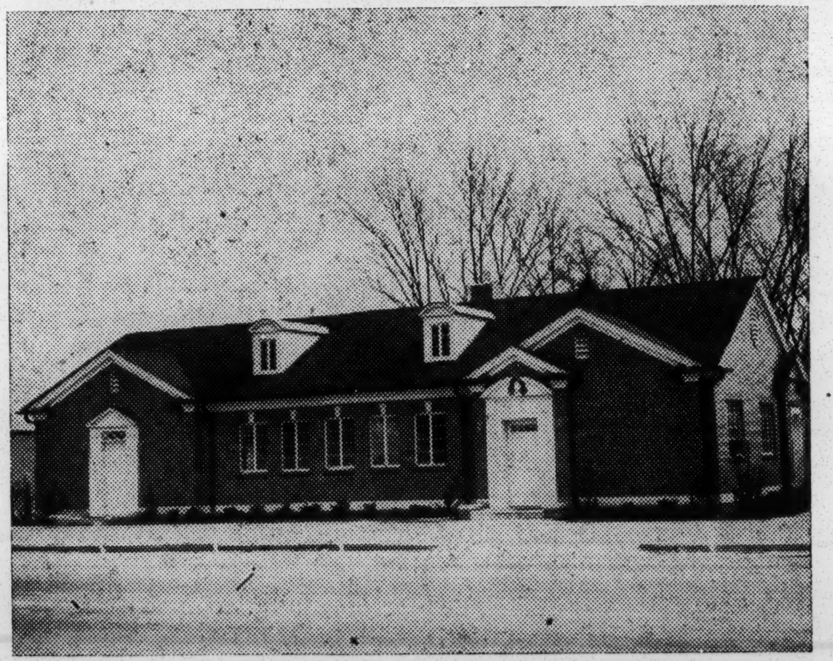
WRBL-TV, Columbus, **WNEX-TV,** Macon and **WROM-TV,** Rome will televise the inaugural ceremonies.

All radio and television stations listed above are making this time available as a public service.

Cotton Acreage Allotment Down

Under the recently approved 1955 cotton acreage allotments, Burke County apparently will continue to be Georgia's biggest grower of cotton. Burke will plant better than 38,180 acres of cotton, while others which will plant 20,000 acres or more are Laurens, Colquitt, Jefferson and Walton. For the first time in at least 60 years Georgia's over-all allotment will be less than 1-million acres, the total being reduced from 1,188,894 in 1954 to 950,818 in 1955, a reduction of 238,076, or about 20 per cent.

NEW MACON COUNTY HEALTH CENTER



Shown above is the new $65,133 Macon County Health Center at Oglethorpe which was dedicated by Governor Herman Talmadge in ceremonies Wednesday, December 29. The Chief Executive reported in his speech that Georgia has built 67 such health centers during his Administration and the State now has the best and most adequate facilities in her history for administering the public health program.

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Rural Counties Set Real Example

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We read a great deal in the daily press and in some slick magazines about the "backwoods, hick rural counties of Georgia." This is especially true when some so-called expert is writing about the political picture in Georgia.

Well, another story about some of these counties appeared this week in the daily press, but like most good things about these areas, it was buried deep inside the paper.

There were thirteen rural counties in Georgia during the fiscal year which ended June 30th in which there were no felony convictions. That's right. In this day when crimes of all kinds, from murder on down, are being committed every minute when all our leaders are greatly disturbed and rightfully so about the increase in major crimes, these counties were just about crime free.

Let's call the roll of honor. The counties are Clay, McIntosh, Macon, Webster, Chattahoochee, Fannin, Forsyth, Glascock, Jeff Davis, Lanier, Montgomery, Treutlen and Towns.

Here's our salute to the law-abiding citizens of these counties and to the law enforcement officers and courts, who obviously have the criminal problem under control. All of Georgia should be proud of you and should strive to follow in your record.

P.S. As a native of one of these counties (Macon), we are rightfully proud of our old county wherein reside some of the finest people and most efficient law enforcement officers to be found anywhere.

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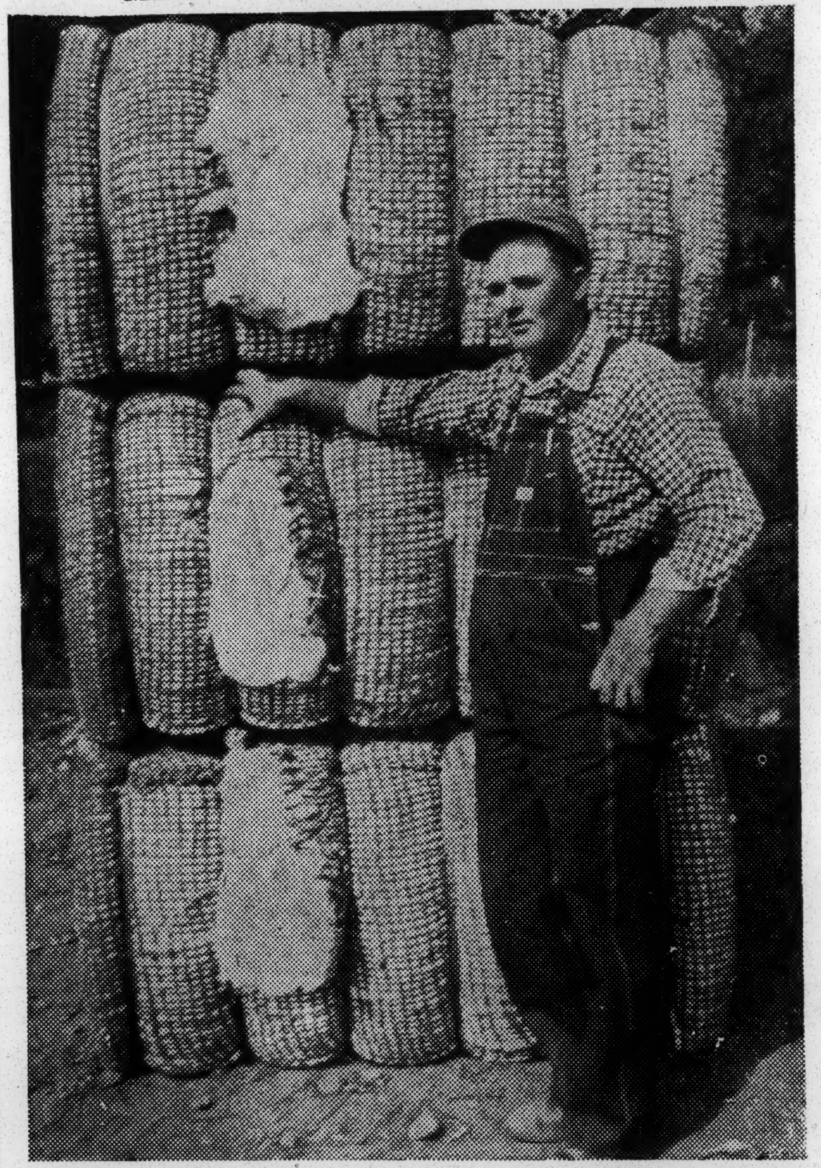

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Georgia's record in this field of public service was made possible by the financial support given the program by the General Assembly, Governor and State Board of Education. State appropriations for "case services" are matched by Federal funds, and, in addition, the Federal government pays administrative costs.

With the increased allocations under the Minimum Foundation Program for Education, the Division has been in position, in recent years, to accept for rehabilitation services a larger proportion of seriously handicapped persons—men and women paralyzed from spinal injuries, crippled by arthritis, or other disabling diseases, and the blind.

Protection Against Major Illness

The newest development in health insurance—and one whose potential for good is enormous—is found in policies covering catastrophic, or major, illnesses which involve long periods of treatment and heavy costs.

C. Arthur Williams, Jr., of the University of Minnesota's School of Business Administration, tells the story in the November issue of Medical Economics. In a single year, the number of Americans with policies of this nature has doubled, reaching a total of some 1,500,000. As Mr. Williams says, "That's a pretty impressive total—when you consider that such coverage was just a dream before 1948, and still only a budding infant in 1951."

As of a late count, 31 insurance companies were offering the protection and six more were contemplating it. The policies are written on a deductible basis, like automobile collision coverage. Maximum benefits are high—$5,000 to $7,500 in most cases. The rates are moderate.

As with anything new, this coverage is still in an experimental phase. But most of the insurance executives queried by Mr. Williams are optimistic as to the future. More and more people will obtain the policies, they think—and the policies' provisions will be liberalized whenever possible.

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These figures indicate how rapidly our state is moving to the forefront in the industrial world.

The progress is a tribute to the progressive people of Georgia and to the state's energetic and farsighted leaders.

Our state is rapidly moving towards a sound balance with agriculture and industry carrying an equal economic load.

Georgia is a state with a future.

State Chamber Offers '55 Industrial Survey

The 1955 Industrial Survey of Georgia, a "textbook" of Georgia's industrial advantages, is now being distributed by the Georgia State Chamber of Commerce.

This Survey is prepared and distributed annually by the State Chamber to give factual data to firms having current or potential interest in Georgia for a plant expansion.

Brief reports are given on subjects ranging from "agriculture" to "waterways" with information on taxes, available buildings, labor supply, etc. included. In all, there are some 3,500 items of information contained in the booklet.

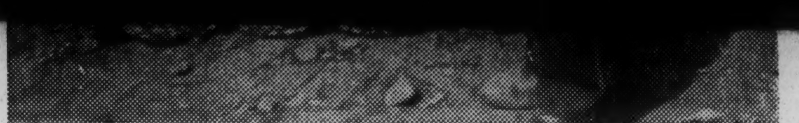
Starting with maps and information describing Georgia's 58,876 square miles, the Survey outlines banking facilities, climatic advantages, churches, construction costs (totaling about $375,000,000 in new construction during 1954), communication facilities, electric power, and so on through the list of subjects which concern any manufacturer considering a new plant location.

State Chamber executive Walter Cates points to stream-flow data recorded during the recent drought and a statement by Governor-elect Marvin Griffin to show how up-to-the minute is all information contained.

Some 10,000 copies of the Industrial Survey will be distributed during coming months by the State Chamber, local Chambers, banks, railroads, utilities, and others who solicit new industries for Georgia. All such agencies rely on this manual as the source for much technical information about the state.

The president of Allied Chemical & Dye Corp., one of the nation's largest manufacturers, recently wrote that it "is the most comprehensive, yet briefly reported survey I have seen. It has been tremendously helpful to us."

Copies are available at the Georgia State Chamber office in Atlanta.



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Any government policy which discourages legitimate private enterprise hurts us all. It destroys potential sources of taxation—which means that the rest of us must pay more taxes. It prevents employment. It lessens opportunity. And it undermines that spirit of initiative and enterprise which is the root of all progress.

New Plant Total High in 1954, Commerce Chief Says

There were 185 new or expanded industrial plants located in Georgia during 1954, according to Walter Cates, executive vice president of the Georgia State Chamber of Commerce.

These new manufacturers will provide some 11,250 additional jobs for Georgians, putting about $28,000,000 more into the trade channels of our State from their payrolls. Although numerous existing buildings have been occupied which reduces capital investment, and a majority of the new plants are needle trade industries with relatively small capital requirements, there was still $32,250,000 invested in these new facilities.

Data for the year-end tabulations came from the three power companies serving Georgia, from numerous railroads, banks, realtors, and from the State Chamber's Industrial Department which helps and consolidates local and statewide industrial development activities.

Ivan Allen, Jr., Atlanta businessman who heads the State Chamber's Industrial Department, said "Georgia's encouraging industrial growth is principally due to the natural and produced advantages offered in our State, but an important boost is given by the strong teamwork and effective cooperation at both state and local levels."

The 1954 record is second highest in the state's history, being exceeded only in 1953. State Chamber officials say that industrial development experts across the state predict that 1955 developments will be as good—if not better—than in 1953.

There are 95 local Chambers of Commerce and 58 local industrial financing corporations within Georgia. "These agencies, working closely with the State Chamber and with banks, utilities, railroads and industrial realtors, have brought Georgia to the forefront in the nation's industrial development," said Mr. Allen.

New Corrections' Facility Dedicated At Rome For Better Treatment Of Tubercular Prisoners

ROME, Ga. — Governor Herman Talmadge said here Tuesday, that, through cooperation between the State Department of Public Health and the State Board of Corrections, the State of Georgia has been able to treat a greater number of tubercular citizens at Battey State Hospital here.

The Chief Executive was principal speaker at ceremonies dedicating the new $90,000 Security Building which will house tubercular inmates of the State Prison System at Battey Hospital. This 100-bed facility will permit the treatment here of all state prisoners suffering from tuberculosis, including those classified as maximum security risks.

Talmadge reported that through a working arrangement between the Health Department and the Corrections Board a group of 130 negro women inmates of the State Prison System has been assigned to Battey Hospital to serve as cooks, maids and servants and work in the hospital laundry. In addition, he said, a group of 50 white prisoners skilled in construction and maintenance has been detailed to the Hospital to work on continuing improvement projects at the institution.

"Through this cooperation between these two state agencies," the Governor declared, "The State of Georgia has been able to treat a greater number of tubercular citizens at Battey Hospital and make the dollars appropriated by the State Legislature for treatment of tuberculosis go further.

"Equally as important is the fact that this working arrangement offers added opportunities of rehabilitation to skilled white men and negro women who have been committed to the State Prison System to pay debts to society."

The opening of the new Security Building, Talmadge went on, will make possible, for the first time, the transfer of all tubercular prisoners to Battey for treatment. Previously prisoners who were considered security risks had to be kept in the Hospital of the State Prison at Reidsville to prevent their escape.

cost was shared equally by the federal government, the state and Macon County, each contributing $21,-711.

The Governor reported that 67 such health centers have been built, let to contract or approved for construction since the program was begun shortly after he took office in 1948. They represent an investment of almost $6-million.

"Our health center construction program has been somewhat overshadowed in publicity by the more spectacular hospital program," he said. "But this phase of our building program is just as important and vital as any and through it we are striving to bring health services within reach of every citizen.

"Because of this program and the increased interest of local people in taking full advantage of the state's public health activities, Georgia today has the best and most adequate facilities in her history for serving the health needs of her citizens. Where once our public health program was confined to courthouse basements and back rooms, it now is being carried on in new, modern, fully-equipped health centers."

Gov. Talmadge also reported that a total of 52 hospitals, 19 hospital additions, three nurses' homes and one laboratory have been built under the program. In addition, three hospitals have been equipped through its provisions, he said.

"In all, since our hospital and health center construction program was started, we have undertaken 145 projects totaling $61,445,606 and have added 3,780 beds to the hospital facilities in this state," he said with a note of justifiable pride.

The carryover of cotton in the U. S. on Aug. 1, 1955, is expected to be about 8.5 million bales, as compared with 9.6 million bales on Aug. 1, 1954.

Cattle marketings in Georgia for the first nine months of 1954 ran 25 percent above the same period

Commerce Group Plans Get Together For State Solons

The Georgia State Chamber of Commerce will hold a series of weekly breakfasts to discuss proposed legislation during the forthcoming session of the General Assembly.

Jack J. McDonough, Chamber president, said both sponsors and opponents of major bills before the Legislature will be invited to discuss them. These occasions, he said, will enable businessmen from throughout the State to hear the pros and cons of proposed laws.

These occasions will be known as "Eggs and Issues" Breakfasts.

State officials, members of the Georgia Senate and House of Representatives will be urged to make this a regular breakfast date during the Legislature. All state chamber members and their guests will be asked to arrange visits to Atlanta so they can join their lawmakers at the Tuesday morning breakfasts.

All "Eggs and Issues" Breakfasts will be held at the Henry Grady Hotel, starting promptly at 8 a. m. and adjourning exactly at 9:30 so legislators can attend before their sessions start at the Capitol.

Edgar J. Forio, vice president of the Coca-Cola Co., heads the state chamber committee which will select timely subjects of statewide interest for discussion at the breakfasts which begin Jan. 25, 1955.

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greater number of tubercular citizens at Battey State Hospital here.

The Chief Executive was principal speaker at ceremonies dedicating the new $90,000 Security a working arrangement between the Health Department and the Corrections Board a group of 130 negro women inmates of the State Prison System has been assigned to Battey Hospital to serve as cooks, maids and servants and the Governor declared, "The State of Georgia has been able to treat a greater number of tubercular citizens at Battey Hospital and make the dollars appropriated by the State Legislature for treatment of tuberculosis go further.

"Equally as important is the fact that this working arrangement offers added opportunities of rehabilitation to skilled white men and negro women who have been committed to the State Prison System to pay debts to society."

The opening of the new Security Building, Talmadge went on, will make possible, for the first time, the transfer of all tubercular prisoners to Battey for treatment. Previously prisoners who were considered security risks had to be kept in the Hospital of the State Prison at Reidsville to prevent their escape.

The building was constructed at a cost of $90,000, $60,000 of which was allocated by Governor Talmadge from the Governor's Emergency Fund.

Governor Talmadge was invited to speak at the dedication by Dr. T. F. Sellers, director of the State Health Department, and R. E. Warren, director of the State Board of Corrections. Also participating in the program were Dr. R. F. Corpe, superintendent of Battey Hospital; Bob Scoggin of Rome; and Richard Montgomery, superintendent of the State Correctional Extension Branch at Battey.

Ga. Health Center, Hospital Projects Top $61.4-Million

Of the many accomplishments under his administration, the one closest to Gov. Herman Talmadge's heart unquestionably is the hospital and health center construction program. The reason, of course, is because it was designed to cure or relieve human suffering when disease strikes. It has placed medical facilities within easy reach of citizens in every county in the state.

And as a result of this construction program during the past six years Georgia now has the best and most adequate facilities in her history for administering the state's public health program, Talmadge said at recent ceremonies dedicating the new $65,133 Macon County Health Center at Oglethorpe. The tal additions, three nurses' homes and one laboratory have been built under the program. In addition, three hospitals have been equipped through its provisions, he said.

"In all, since our hospital and health center construction program was started, we have undertaken 145 projects totaling $61,445,606 and have added 3,780 beds to the hospital facilities in this state," he said with a note of justifiable pride.

The carryover of cotton in the U. S. on Aug. 1, 1955, is expected to be about 8.5 million bales, as compared with 9.6 million bales on Aug. 1, 1954.

Cattle marketings in Georgia for the first nine months of 1954 ran 25 percent above the same period in 1953.

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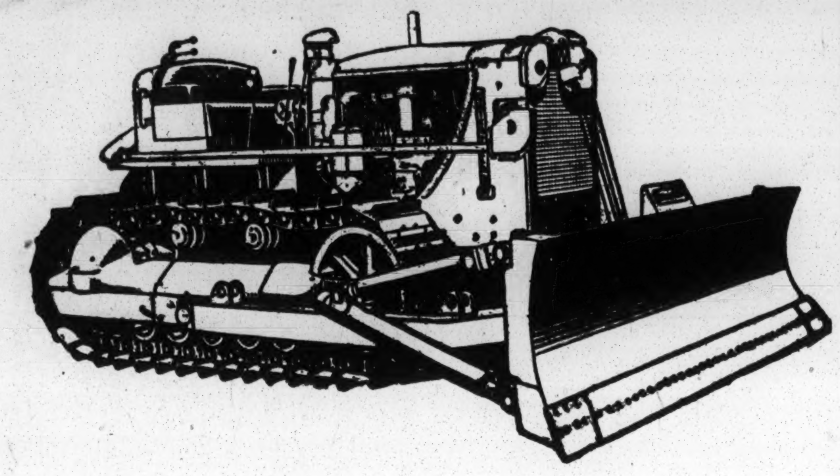

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Crisp Commissioners Laud Gov. Talmadge For Job Well Done

CORDELE, Ga.—The Crisp County Commissioners of Roads and Revenues have adopted a resolution wishing for Governor Herman Talmadge "a long life of continued and progressive public service and usefulness."

The Commissioners stated that the Chief Executive has served Georgia "with unusual distinction" and has increased the State's standing "to the highest level among the great states of the nation." They declared that the sound fiscal policies initiated by the Governor have "made possible amazing progress in the field of education, roads, public welfare and health."

The resolution also thanked Talmadge for his "favorable consideration of Crisp County and all of its citizens."

The text of the resolution follows:

"WHEREAS, Hon. Herman E. Talmadge has served the State of Georgia as Governor for the past six years with unusual distinction, has increased the standing of the State of Georgia to the highest level among the great states of the Nation, reflecting great credit upon the citizens of our State and honor upon himself;

"His sound fiscal policies have made possible amazing progress in the field of education, roads, public welfare and health; and,

"WHEREAS, not only the State of Georgia has benefited by his wise administration, but Crisp County has shared immeasurably in all these benefits.

"NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by this Board, and it is hereby resolved by authority of same, that we do express our sincere appreciation for his favorable consideration of Crisp County and all of its citizens, and wish for him a long life of continued and progressive public service and usefulness.

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board, and that a copy of same be furnished Governor Talmadge and a copy be given to the press."

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U. of Ga.'s Atlanta Division Expands

And still she grows! Meaning, of course, the Atlanta Division of the University of Georgia. In an effort to meet increasing enrollment, Dr. George M. Sparks, director, recently announced these expansion moves:

1. Purchase of the J. T. Swann Garage on Gilmer St. for $150,000. The two-story building will be converted into class rooms in about eight months.

2. The University plans to occupy its new $2.2-million building at Gilmer and Courtland Streets by Feb. 1, several months ahead of schedule.

3. Parking facilities behind the old school will be increased with the addition of two decks to the present lot. This will increase car capacity from 700 to 1,000 for the all-time high student body of 5,900.

Since its creation in 1917, the State Highway Dept. has placed roads under construction at a cost of more than a billion dollars, according to a state audit just released. Of the total ($591,902,296.34) allotted to Georgia's counties in road construction between 1917 and June 30, 1954, the federal government put up $184,174,258.60, the state government put up $356,525,294.66, and $51,202,743.08 came from other sources.

Rayonier, Inc., operator of plants at Jesup, Ga., and Fernandina, Fla., has purchased 34,000 acres of Ware County timberland in what was reported to be a $2,295,000 transaction. The land, some of it adjacent to the Okefenokee Swamp, reportedly brought an average of $67.50 an acre. Rayonier's plants use pulpwood as raw material in making chemicals.

Everybody knows Georgia's 1954 drought was bad, but meteorologists at the Weather Bureaus airport station have come up with statistics to show you just how bad it really was. For example, from January to October the state suffered the worst drought since records were begun in 1878. A scant 25 inches of rain fell during those months compared with the average of 41 inches.

GLENN BURTON NAMED MAN OF THE YEAR IN SERVICE TO SOUTHERN AGRICULTURE

Dr. Glenn W. Burton who has been named Man of the Year in Service to Southern Agriculture for 1954 by The Progressive Farmer. As Principal Geneticist for the U. S. Department of Agriculture at the Georgia Coastal Plain Experiment Station, Tifton, Ga., Dr. Burton has developed such grasses as Coastal and Suwannee Bermudas which are revolutionizing pasture practices throughout the South and Southwest.

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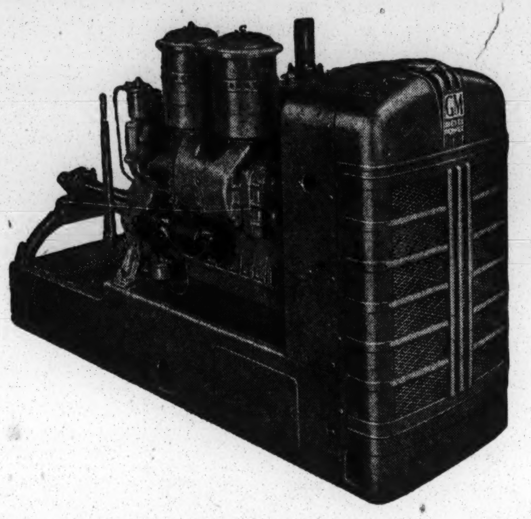

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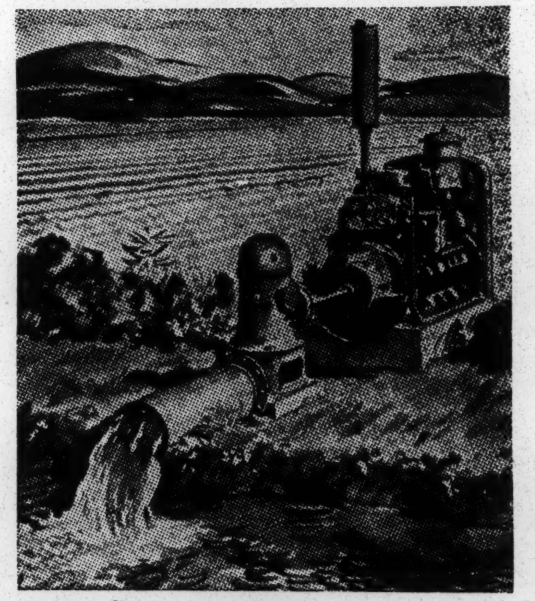

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